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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents:

In the Examiner's comments with the Supplemental Notice of Allowability mailed October 14, 2004, the Examiner stated that the reason for allowance was the failure of the prior art to teach or suggest features that are recited in dependent claims 4, 10, and 15. However, allowed claims 1-3, 7-9, 12-14, and 17 do not include all of the features of claims 4, 10, and 15.

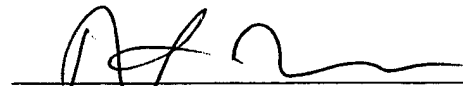
The applicants understand that the Examiner was only stating one reason for allowance of claims 4-6, 10-11, and 15-16 and did not intend for that reason to apply to any of the other claims. Obviously, claims 1-3, 7-9, 12-14, and 17 were allowed because the prior art fails to teach or suggest the elements actually recited in those claims. Detailed reasons for

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allowance of all of the claims can be found in the applicants' response filed on August 19, 2004. If the applicants understanding is not correct, the Examiner is requested to update the Reasons for Allowance to reflect the features recited in claims 1-3, 7-9, 12-14, and 17.

Respectfully submitted,

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